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Attorney's Docket 5699-11-CON**IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE**

Title: Railroad Car with Cantilevered Articulation
Inventor: James W. Forbes
Assignee: National Steel Car
Filed: February 22, 2002
Serial No: 10 / 081,120
Art Unit: 3617
Examiner: Frantz F. Jules

RESPONSE TO OFFICE ACTION

Mail Stop Amendment
Commissioner for Patents
P.O. Box 1450
Alexandria, VA 22313-1450

This letter is responsive to the Examiner's Office Action of March 2, 2005, and is timely submitted to meet the due date for response of June 2, 2005.

The Applicant makes the following amendments:

IN THE SPECIFICATION

No amendments at this time.

IN THE CLAIMS

The applicant's amendments begin on page 2 of this response.

IN THE DRAWINGS

No amendments at this time.

REMARKS

The applicant's remarks begin on page 17 of this response.

CERTIFICATION UNDER 37 C.F.R. § 1.8(a)

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PATENT

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In re application of: James W. Forbes

Application No.: 10/081,120

Group No.: 3617

Filed: 02/22/2002

Examiner: Jules, F. F.

For: RAILROAD CAR WITH CANTILEVERED ARTICULATION

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AMENDMENT TRANSMITTAL

1. Transmitted herewith is an amendment for this application.

STATUS

2. Applicant is other than a small entity.

FEE FOR CLAIMS

3. The fee for claims (37 C.F.R. 1.16(b)-(d)) has been calculated as shown below:

	(Col. 1)	(Col. 2)	(Col. 3)	OTHER THAN A SMALL ENTITY			
	CLAIMS REMAINING AFTER AMENDMENT	HIGHEST NO. PREVIOUSLY PAID FOR	PRESENT EXTRA	RATE	ADDIT. FEE		
TOTAL	65	- 82	= 0	x \$ 50.00	= \$	0.00	
INDEP.	8	- 9	= 0	x \$ 200.00	= \$	0.00	
FIRST PRESENTATION OF MULTIPLE DEP. CLAIM				+ \$ 0.00	= \$	0.00	
				TOTAL			
				ADDIT. FEE	\$	0.00	

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Total additional fee for claims required \$0.00

FEE PAYMENT

4. Please charge any fee required by this paper to Deposit Account 15-0450

Respectfully submitted,

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